## LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES SOMERS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD ROOM NOVEMBER 7, 2011

PRESENT: Andy Phillips, Mike Gotta, Lois Lindell, Dee Moak, Robin Provencher, Bob Socha, Charlotte Stopa, Shirley Warner, and Library Director Francine Aloisa.

ABSENT: Tiffany Daly, excused.

Meeting called to order by Chairwoman Warner at 6:30 p.m.

- 1. Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2011 regular meeting made by B. Socha, seconded by D. Moak and approved unanimously.
- 2. First Audience to Citizens: None.
- 3. Treasurer's Report: No report in Treasurer's absence.
- 4. Correspondence: F. Aloisa advised of a request received from the Town Clerk for our 2012 meeting dates, and of notification from Town Clerk of requirements for filing of minutes and agendas via email and that 6 members of this board are required to constitute a quorum.
- 5. Financial Business:
  - a. Approval of invoices. Motion to approve payment of invoices by B. Socha, seconded by L. Lindell and approved unanimously.
  - b. Year-to-date budget: Reviewed and accepted.
- 6. Committees: No discussion.
- 7. Building:
  - a. Snow damage repairs. F. Aloisa advised that some wireless internet connection issues occurred over the past weekend but now seems to be rectified, although technical support is reliant on the school's IT person, and there is a leak from the ceiling that B. Socha is determining the cause of.
  - b. Outstanding items. F. Aloisa advised that all of the broken lilacs have been replaced and the benches have been removed from the property.
- 8. Policy Review: No discussion held.
- 9. Old Business:
- a. Blake Room acoustics report. NT Oliva was contacted by F. Aloisa to install the additional acoustic tiles. A neutral color has been requested which will cost approximately \$100 more than the original quote.
  - b. State Construction grant. No discussion held.

c. Transplanting grasses. F. Aloise advised that DPW came and dug up some of the ornamental grasses to thin them as discussed at a prior meeting.

## 10. New Business:

- a. Meeting calendar. Proposed 2012 meeting calendar presented by F. Aloisa. Motion to approve by B. Socha, seconded by S. Warner and unanimously approved.
- b. Closed days schedule. Proposed closed days schedule presented by F. Aloisa. Motion to approve by R. Provencher, seconded by D. Moak and unanimously approved.
- 11. Director's Report: F. Aloisa reported that fines were waived from October 29<sup>th</sup> through November 12, 2011 due to the storm, and that the library has received a letter from CHET that we have won \$500.00 as the result of a postcard entry made by a library patron.

The members discussed and agreed that a book in memory of John McCaffery should be purchased for the library in recognition of his years of service on this Board.

- 12. Second Audience to Citizens: None.
- 13. Adjournment: With no further business to be considered, Chairwoman Warner declared the meting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Provencher Secretary

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